

Transportation Safety Division Daily Situation Report (SITREP)

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Situation to date: Convoy for Freedom Protest Preparation

Actions to date: Operational preparation

Actions to be completed:

- Details provided below

Other - Protest

Protest continues in Ottawa (Parliament Hill). Approximately 100 people remain.

Protest in Queens Park is approximately 150 people at this time.

Protest convoy present in Windsor and Sarnia.

Situation of hwy 402 block remains with a recent update that one lane may be available to cross to the USA for passenger vehicles only. Trucks are not permitted to cross at this time. Approximately 140 vehicles, including farm tractors, are blocking hwy 402.

The Bluewater Bridge at Sarnia is a designated dangerous goods crossing. Trucks containing dangerous goods (such as explosives, flammable liquids, radioactive, corrosive liquids) will have to be redirected. The next closest border crossing for dangerous goods is via ferry at Windsor or by bridge at Fort Erie in Niagara.

For situational awareness:

Additional convoys are being reported in various areas of Ontario. Expect that there will be "pop-up" convoys throughout the province. Information may not always be received in advance due to the ad hoc and fluid nature of the protests.

Convoy for Freedom Reporting:

Date:	Region	Events:	Notes - Operational Updates and Impacts
February 6, 2022	WEST	Convoy currently in Windsor and Sarnia. Sarnia Lambton: Convoy currently in Windsor and Sarnia. Sarnia Lambton: Protest convoy in Sarnia has caused closure of Westbound Highway 402 between Highway 40/Modeland Road and Front Street. Indications that one lane may now be open for passenger	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested. Emcon is moving crash trucks to the area now. Approximately 5 Transportation Enforcement Officers scheduled in the region. Focus will be on highway patrol and will be available to assist OPP.

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		vehicles only to cross over the USA border. Highway 402 traffic is fed by Highway 401 at London, therefore, signs are posted on hwy 401 indicating that the Sarnia border is closed. No indication as to how long the protestors plan to block hwy 402. Sarnia blockade started with approximately 400 vehicles some of which split off to go to City Hall. Approximately 140 vehicles remain blocking hwy 402. Protest at City Hall is starting to disperse. All regular traffic has been redirected off hwy 402 and only protest vehicles remain.	OPP is aware MTO Officers will be available upon request.
February 6, 2022	CENTRAL	Expected that protestors may be at Queens Park again today, Sunday, February 6, 2022. No traffic issues to report along the major highways at this time. Several convoy/protests planned within the region.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP. OPP have a command post set up again today at the Central Region Transportation Management Centre. MTO Incident Commander will be working with OPP at the command post again today. CEIB will deploy approximately 49 Transportation Enforcement Officers have been in the area to assist with traffic management and remain available to assist the OPP upon request. OPP is aware MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers will be available upon request.
February 6, 2022	EAST	Convoys continue in the City of Ottawa with additional vehicles and protestors attending today.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

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		Several convoy/protests planned within the region.	Contacted by OPP and a traffic control crew is standby should OPP request assistance. Approximately 17 Transportation Enforcement Officers scheduled in the region. Focus will be on highway patrol and will be available to assist OPP. OPP is aware MTO Officers will be available upon request
February 6, 2022	NORTH EAST	Several convoy/protests planned within the region.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.
February 6, 2022	NORTH WEST	Convoys have moved through the region.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.